

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAAGS: AORG EAGR FAO  
SUBJECT: FAO PROGRAM OF WORK AND BUDGET 1978/79

REFS: (A) STATE 101957; (B) PARIS 13937 (NOTAL)

1. MAY 16, WE DISCUSSED FAO BUDGET PROBLEMS DESCRIBED R  
REF (A) WITH MIREILLE MUSSO, WHO IS OFFICER RESPONSIBLE  
FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROGRAMS IN QUAI'S UN AND  
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DIRECTORATE. SHE HAD JUST  
RETURNED FROM WORLD FOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS IN ROME  
(ROME 7706 AND 7741) WHICH SHE DESCRIBED AS "CONFUSING  
AND DISAPPOINTING."

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2. RE FAO PROGRAM OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR 1978/79:  
MUSSO WAS ALREADY FAMILIAR WITH PROPOSALS U.S.  
DELEGATION MADE ON APRIL 29 DURING GENEVA GROUP  
DISCUSSIONS IN ROME. LIKE U.S., SHE SAID, GOF WAS  
UNEASY BOTH WITH OVERALL FAO BUDGETING LEVEL AND WITH  
ORGANIZATION'S PROCLIVITY TO EXPAND INTO TECHNICAL  
COOPERATION AREAS WHICH SHOULD BE COVERED BY UNDP.

HOWEVER, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS BEING WHAT THEY ARE, SHE ADDED, IT IS VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO REIGN-IN THESE EXPANSIVE TENDENCIES UNLESS CONCERTED AND UNIFIED COUNTER-PRESSURE IS BROUGHT TO BEAR IMMEDIATELY WHEN A QUESTIONABLE VENTURE OR BUDGET LEVEL IS FIRST PROPOSED. UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVE NOT DONE THIS WITH RESPECT TO FAO 1978/79 PROGRAM, SHE CONTINUED. BOTH FRANCE AND U.S. APPROVED \$206.8 MILLION BUDGET LEVEL (INCLUDING \$20 MILLION TCP) LAST JULY, SHE CLAIMED, AND GOF FELT IT WAS "DEFINITELY TOO LATE" TO RAISE OBJECTIONS NOW, PARTICULARLY OVER TCP WHICH WAS BUDGETED AT "ONLY \$20 MILLION."

3. MUSSO AGAIN STRESSED GOF ACCEPTANCE OF OUR ARGUMENT WITH RESPECT TO INEFFICIENCIES LIKELY TO GROW OUT OF EXPANDING FAO/TCP, BUT CONCLUDED THAT NEXT OPPORTUNITY FOR US EFFECTIVELY TO CONFRONT SITUATION WOULD COME WITH CONSIDERATION OF 1980/81 PROGRAM OF WORK AND BUDGET.  
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